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**UTILITY
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Attorney Docket No. 3918P002C

First Inventor Wenbin Jiang

Title METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR VERTICAL BOARD CONSTRUCTION

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents

1. Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)

2. Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.

3. Specification [Total Pages 52]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
 - Descriptive title of the Invention
 - Cross References to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (*if filed*)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure

4. Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 12]

5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 3]
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 b. Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
 i. DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
 Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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7. CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (*Appendix*)

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 ii. paper
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ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))

10. 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) Statement Power of Attorney
(when there is an assignee)

11. English Translation Document (*if applicable*)

12. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Copies of IDS Citations

13. Preliminary Amendment

14. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
(Should be specifically itemized)

15. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
(if foreign priority is claimed)

16. Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i).
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17. Other: Request for Approval of Drawing Changes

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment:

 Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No: 09/320,409

Prior application Information: Examiner Stahl, M. Group/Art Unit: 2874

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See 37 CFR 1.27.2. Payment Enclosed: Check Credit card Money Order Other

FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee	Fee	Fee	Fee Description	Fee Paid
Code		Code		Code		
101	710	201	355	Utility filing fee	355.00	
106	320	206	160	Design filing fee		
107	490	207	245	Plant filing fee		
108	710	208	355	Reissue filing fee		
114	150	214	75	Provisional filing fee		
SUBTOTAL (1)		(\$)		355.00		

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims	Independent Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	
40	20	20	9.00	\$180.00
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103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20	
102	80	202	40	Independent claims in excess of 3	
104	130	204	135	Multiple Dependent claim, if not paid	
109	80	209	40	**Reissue independent claims over original patent	
110	18	210	9	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	
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3. ADDITIONAL FEE

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee	Fee	Fee	Fee Description	Fee Paid
Code		Code		Code		
105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath		
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet		
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification		
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for reexamination		
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action		
113	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action		
115	110	215	55	Extension for response within first month		
116	390	216	195	Extension for response within second month		
117	890	217	445	Extension for response within third month		
118	1,390	218	695	Extension for response within fourth month		
128	1,890	228	945	Extension for response within fifth month		
119	310	219	155	Notice of Appeal		
120	310	220	155	Filing a brief in support of an appeal		
121	270	221	135	Request for oral hearing		
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding		
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable		
141	1,240	241	620	Petition to revive - unintentional		
142	1,240	242	620	Utility issue fee (or reissue)		
143	440	243	220	Design issue fee		
144	600	244	300	Plant issue fee		
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner		
123	130	123	130	Petitions related to provisional applications		
126	180	126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt		
581	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)		
146	710	246	355	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))		
149	710	249	355	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))		
179	710	279	355	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)		
169	900	169	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application		
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Examiner: Stahl, M.

Group Art Unit: 2874

Request for Approval of
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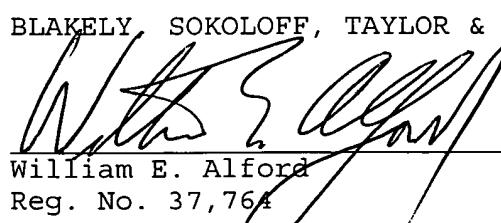
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Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner's approval to the changes shown in red on the attached drawings. Applicant has amended FIG. 6A changing reference number 421 pointing to the fiber ferrules to 422. Applicant has amended FIG. 3H adding the reference number 322 to the lead line pointing to the cavity 322. An extra set of changed drawings in enclosed for the Draftsperson's review. If there is any question, Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached by telephone at (714) 557-3800.

Respectfully submitted,

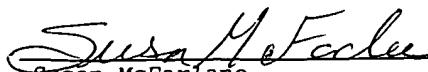
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